



**Second Judicial Circuit of Florida Press Release
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INVESTITURE OF CIRCUIT JUDGE J. LEE MARSH

Who: Circuit Judge J. Lee Marsh, 2nd Judicial Circuit

What: Investiture of Circuit Judge J. Lee Marsh

Where: Leon County Courthouse, Courtroom 2-E, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee

When: Friday, June 22, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.

The investiture of recently appointed Circuit Judge J. Lee Marsh will be held, Friday, June 22, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. in the Leon County Courthouse, Courtroom 2-E, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida.

On Monday, March 12, 2018, Governor Rick Scott appointed Tallahassee native J. Lee Marsh to the Second Circuit Court to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Charles A. Francis. Born and raised in Tallahassee, Judge Marsh followed in the footsteps of his parents and his grandmother, graduating from Leon High School. Upon graduation, he accepted an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD. Graduating in the top 10% of his class, Judge Marsh was appointed as an officer in the U.S. Navy and served for 5 years in the U.S. Submarine Force. Realizing he wanted to pursue a career in the law, Judge Marsh was selected by the Navy to attend the University of Florida College of Law before entering the Navy's Judge Advocate General's Corps. There he served as a legal aid attorney, a criminal defense attorney, general counsel to three navy admirals, and lead prosecutor for the Navy's southeast region. After retiring with 20 years of service, Judge Marsh returned to his hometown (and the hometown of his high school sweetheart and wife). Dedicated to service, Judge Marsh served as a Bureau Chief at the Office of the Attorney General for the two years prior to his appointment to the bench. Judge Marsh is an active member of Faith Presbyterian Church and the father of a fourth generation Leon Lion and a Gilchrist Grizzly.

Judge Marsh states, "I am so humbled to be allowed to serve the people of the Second Judicial Circuit. As a Judge, I will decide each case individually, according to the law. I will treat all people in the courtroom with dignity and respect. I thank the Governor for allowing me to serve the people of Franklin, Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, and Wakulla Counties." Judge Marsh is currently serving in the Family Law Division.